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**BARANGAROO HEADLAND COMMUNITY OPEN DAY  
VOCATIONAL VISIT - RTN VICTORIA GOUEL**

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**MEETINGS EVERY TUESDAY 6PM FOR 6:30PM**

MEETING LOCATION:

Next Generation Club (Level 2)  
Ryde Aquatic Centre  
504 Victoria Rd, Ryde

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PO BOX 90  
Ryde NSW 1680

**RSVP EXTRAS OR ABSENCES TO JULIE THORP: 9871 1109**

August 20

Youth Exchange Student Lucile Richard  
Hello from France!

### TONIGHT'S ROSTER

**Welcomers** Lucile Richard & Julie Thorp

**Loyal Toast** Geoff Brennan

**Vote of Thanks** Charles Kilby

If you are unable to fulfill this duty, please arrange your own swap  
and inform President Adrian of the change

**Duty Roster for future meetings appears on Page 07**

### ADRIAN'S ADDENDUM

Dear Rotarians and Rotary Friends,

Last Tuesday we were presented a wonderful tale of travel by our own Noel Dunn who recounted his trip on The Ghan and The Indian Pacific railways. It was certainly interesting to remember my trips across Australia to Perth and Darwin and their great sights. Thank you Noel.

This Tuesday we will hear from our own exchange student Lucile. She will tell us about her history, her family and her country of origin – France. We are hoping to be joined by several of her future host family members.

Don't forget to book your places on the International Fleet Review Cruises

See you on Tuesday evening.

Adrian

### WE'LL BE SAD IF WE DON'T SEE YOU NEXT TUESDAY!



If you need to give a late apology for non-attendance at any meeting, please contact **Julie Thorp before 10am Monday**.

**9871 1109 0416 208 332 [j.thorp@bigpond.net.au](mailto:j.thorp@bigpond.net.au)**

Club policy is that you will be expected to pay for your meal if you are absent without timely apology. **Isn't that fair to all concerned?**

**It's semi-annual dues time!**

Yes, Rotary International, District 9685 and RDU all want a piece of our finances. The best way for us to do that is to ask members to hasten their payment of semi-annual dues which, I'm pleased to report, remain at \$125 for the period 1st July to 31st December 2013.

**You can pay by EFT direct to our General Account:**

**BSB 112-879**

**Account #: 589388**

**or**

**Cheque or cash paid to the Treasurer on Tuesday.**

**SEMIANNUAL DUES ARE NOW OVERDUE.** Please contact the Treasurer immediately if you have not yet paid or if you require special consideration.

David James

**AUGUST 13- AS RECALLED BY ALLEN HORRELL**

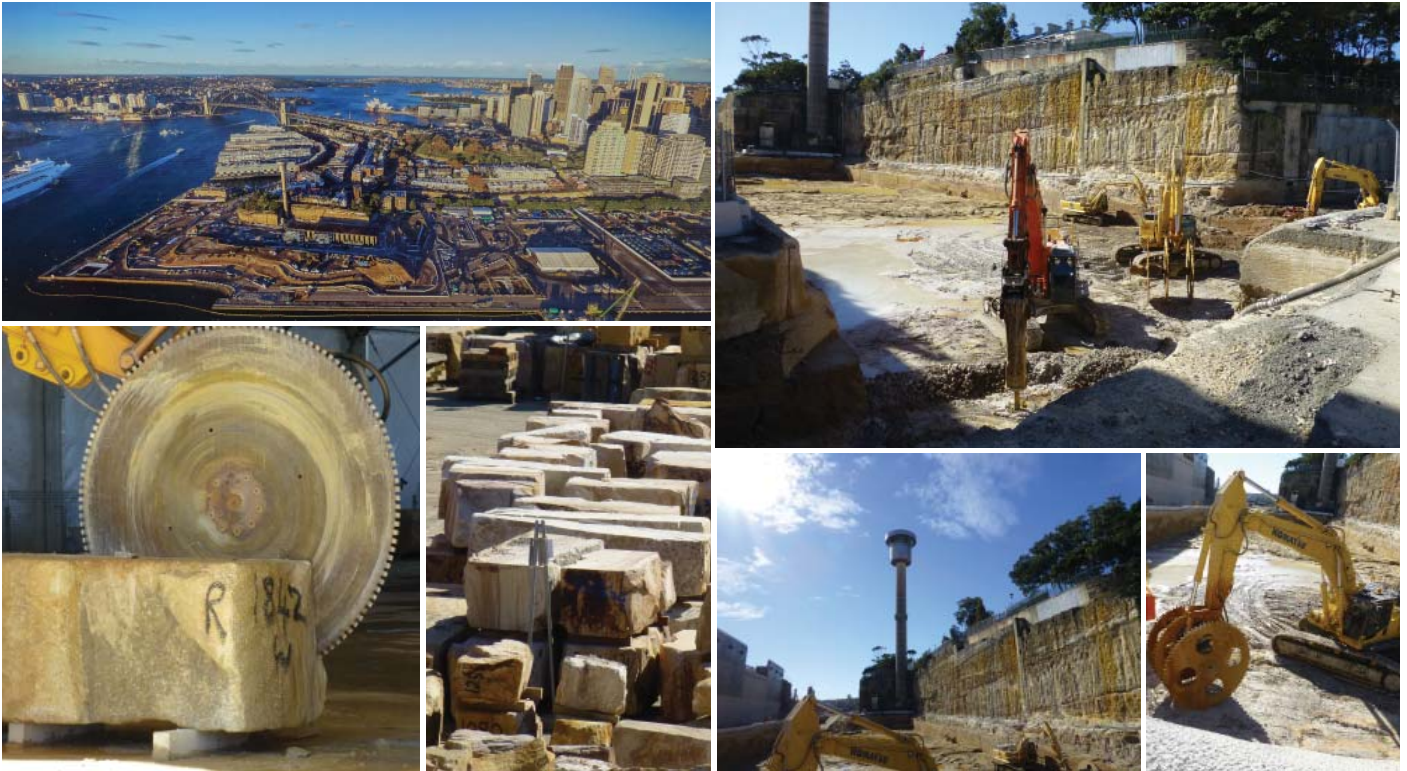
**President Adrian** opened the meeting and **Rtn Kate Dodd** proposed the loyal toast to the Queen with an actual glass! A lengthy list of absences was announced followed by a period of fellowship as we waited for dinner, which turned out to be Chicken Schnitzel, with carrots and broccoli on mashed potato. Thanks to our Vocational visit to the Barangaroo site, **PP Ross Rocca** was able to announce an attendance in the high 90s in spite of the mass apologies for the night.

**Adrian** thanked his graffiti crew for their efforts on Sunday, and then **Rtn Val Payne** reported that **Pat Bond** is off to Alaska with her daughter and son in law, travelling 1st class. One Rotarian commented that few would be on such good terms as to have a son in law take them to Alaska. "Depends if he brings her back!" quipped the Serjeant.

Our two guests from our new **Ryde Secondary College Interact Club** spoke next. **President Laurence Unguroiu** and **Vice President Carina Mehta** spoke on their main cause for the year, raising funds for the Little Angels orphanage in Uganda, to sponsor individual students' education from kindergarten to year 6, at a cost of \$500 per child.



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They have 10 separate fundraisers planned for the year to raise a target of \$3000 to \$4000 in this first year of operation. They have 40 members, mostly in years 7-10, and were keen to assist providing manpower at Ryde Rotary projects. I was very impressed with these two young people, who I thought were a credit to their School.

**Exchange Student Lucile** is now staying with **John and Janelle Dodd**, which means she now takes the train to school. She still finds the teachers hard to understand, but is learning: "When they say 'Straya', it means 'Australia'," she explained to **Duncan**. **PE Kalma** spruiked the Child Protection registration, warning that we should get on with it before the website inevitably collapses!

I announced a Community Committee meeting to be held after our club meeting on the 27th August. **Vocational Chair Martin Aston** reported that **Angie** had returned in Triumph (rather than in an Aston Martin) from the World Dragon boat championship, bearing 2 Gold, 2 Silver and one Bronze medal. The club congratulated Angie and plotted that next time we are asked to man a dragon boat on the Parramatta River we'll ask Angie to supply a team of ring-ins that we can supply with Ryde shirts for the day!

**Geoff** was off sick so **PP Duncan Taylor** returned to his old post. He arranged for **Carina** to draw **Kathryn Dodd's** ticket, but in spite of repeated shuffling, she drew the King of Hearts, not the Joker. **Julie** was fined for announcing **Tony Abboud's** absence when he was sitting at the next table, and after a bit of gratuitous racial vilification we moved on to fine **Kalma**, who fired straight back, extracting a gold coin from the Serjeant.

**Noel Dunn's** Indian Pacific rail journey might have been gruelling, if he hadn't been travelling Platinum class with all mod cons. He showed us how the other percent live

while crossing the country from East to West, then flying to Darwin to bisect the continent again, this time North to South on the Ghan. Highlights included the ghost town of Cook which now has 4 permanent residents, there to refuel the trains, Perth which is more populated, and comes equipped with limousines and 5 star hotels, and the Perth Mint.

After visiting the “Lucky Shag Bar” Noel was off to Margaret River to visit Wineries and a Brewery. In Darwin they saw Crocodiles and dined on one before heading down to Catherine, Alice Springs and finally down to Adelaide, managing to sample the Coat of Arms on the way (Emu and Kangaroo).

Noel clearly enjoyed his trip, and that enthusiasm helped us enjoy the presentation too: Thanks Noel!

### REPORT FROM MACQ UNI ROTARACT TRIVIA NIGHT

**Macquarie University Rotaract Club** ran a trivia night on Saturday to raise funds for an educational body in Cambodia, Human & hope Association. Ryde was represented by **Geoff Nix, Tui Horo** and **Gemma, Victoria Kilby, Bob Kay-Smith, Janis Redford** and **Geoff and Janice Brennan**. Unfortunately **Charles Kilby** was an apology through illness. It was a nice night for us with the intellectual input coming from Team Nix, chocolate cake from Victoria, fine wine from Janis and the usual excellent socializing from all.

**Phil Isaacs** from North Ryde cooked over 200 sausage sandwiches and we counted the crowd at around 250. The night was well-run with a very competent young announcer and plenty of helpful workers. It was wonderful to see a dynamic group of young people developing the idea of service above self and the fact that they raised over \$4000 on the night was the icing on the cake. It was also interesting to note the political awareness of so many of the young attendees; three teams named themselves “The Suppository of All Knowledge”.

Geoff Brennan

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**October 20th (Sun)** Graffiti Removal Day  
10am - 4pm Details TBC

**December 15th** **RI Convention 2014 - Earlybird Registration Deadline**  
1st - 4th June, 2014 / \$310 US includes 8 day free travel (bus/train/ferry)  
[www.riconvention.org](http://www.riconvention.org)

**PLEASE SUBMIT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE HUB  
BY 5PM FRIDAY**

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**Percentage Attendance 13th August: 88.10%**

**Makeups:** PP Jan Cutler, PP Patrick Longfield, Rtn Victoria Gouel, Rtn John Mazlin.

**Apologies:** PDG Les Whitcroft, Dr Siddharth Maheshwari, Dr Surinder Joson, PP Artin Etmekdjian, PP Ashley Peake, PP Charles Kilby, PP Geoffrey Brennan, PP Patrick Longfield, PP Jan Cutler, PP Ron Thomson, Rtn Nora Etmekdjian, Rtn Rob Senior, Rtn Victoria Gouel.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**August 27th** Sheree Hurley - Australian Support Dogs

**September 3rd** Thomas Muldoon - Numerology/Astrology - Fact or Fantasy?

**LUCILE RICHARD - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER**

**Lucile is currently hosted by John & Janelle Dodd**

**August 23rd** Allen & Bernadette Horrell

**August 30th** Bill & Val Payne

**Sept 6th** Rob & Judy Mitchell

**IF YOU HAVE A SPECIAL FAMILY / CULTURAL EVENT PLANNED & WOULD LIKE TO INVITE LUCILE RICHARD TO ATTEND, PLEASE LET THE EDITOR KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

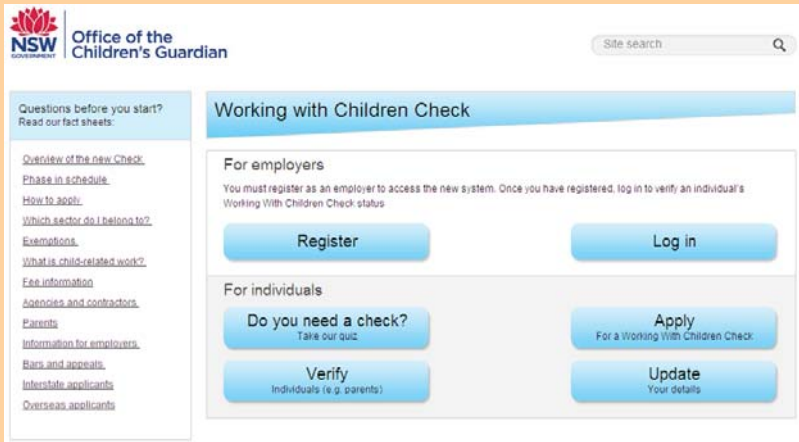
**August 21st** 45th Wedding Anniversary for **Duncan & Marli Taylor**

**CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>WELCOMERS</b>	<b>LOYAL TOAST</b>	<b>THANKS</b>
<b>Aug 27th</b>	Victoria Gouel Graham Metcalfe	Les Whitcroft	Siddharth Maheshwari
<b>Sept 3rd</b>	Charles Kilby Ron Taffa	Patrick Longfield	David James

You need a Working With Children Check! There are 4 steps to the process:

1. Register online at [www.check.kids.nsw.gov.au](http://www.check.kids.nsw.gov.au)



At the bottom under “**For Individuals**”, click “**Apply**”

Complete all fields including selecting “**Purpose for check**” of “**Clubs or Other bodies...**” as below:

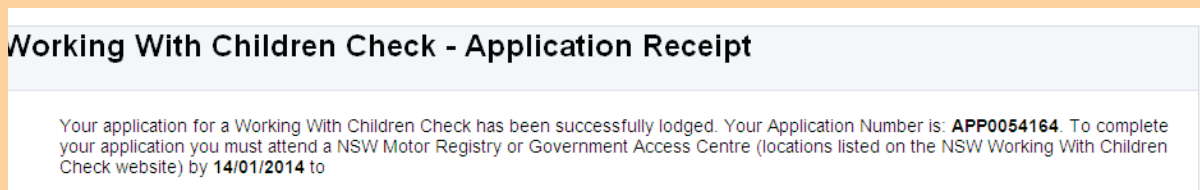
**Purpose for check \***

- Paid employee
- Self employed
- Volunteer, authorised carer, adult household member, student on a professional placement, prospective adoptive parent

**Child-related sector \***

Clubs or other bodies providing services to children

You will be emailed a confirmation of your application which looks like this:



2. Take this notice to your local RTA centre together with the identification form you nominated - Drivers Licence / ID card. Staff at the RTA will confirm you are the person in the notice.
3. A few hours later you will be emailed a confirmation letter that your application has been processed, which includes a **WWC number** on letterhead like this:



4. Forward this email to Kalma so she can register you as a volunteer at Ryde Rotary. **Please talk to Kalma if you have any questions!**



**President Miles Hedge of the Rotary Club of Blayney (District 9700)** has written to Ryde Club asking if we could help find a family in the Ryde district who may be prepared to offer a bed/breakfast arrangement for Saturday nights & Sunday mornings for a young Blayney local Laura Reeks as she trains and plays with the Australian Volleyball team at Homebush.

The Reeks family are great supporters of Rotary and are highly regarded locally. It would be great if the Rotary family could help out this young woman as she represents Australia.

Some financial arrangement would be arranged, plus the Reeks family would like to offer reciprocal holidays in Blayney, which could be fun as they are a great family unit and are into all sorts of sports including GoKarting.

At present Laura (19) stays in a motel, which is a bit lonely! **If anyone in Ryde Club would be interested or know of a suitable family, please contact President Adrian.**

## RYPEN APPLICATIONS

For the first time, there will be TWO RYPEN Camps each year in District 9685. They will be held:

**31st Jan - 2nd Feb 2014** at Collaroy (by the sea)

**13th - 15th June 2014** at Springwood in the lower Blue Mountains

Applications for the first camp at Collaroy are **due by the end of November 2013**. The cost for this camp is \$320.

Applications for the second camp at Springwood are **due by the end of May 2014**. The cost for this camp is \$250. The difference in cost of the two camps is due to differences in the programs & accommodation costs.

It is never too early to start looking for RYPEN students! Ideally students in Years 9 & 10 (aged 15-16), keen to increase their confidence, self-esteem, team working skills, public speaking ability and motivation should apply. RYPEN is designed for average students - not the outstanding few.

**If you know someone who shows qualities of decency, courage, persistence, sincerity, and application in everyday life which deserves further development, RYPEN is for them!**

Contact Charles Kilby if you would like to nominate someone, or have a good relationship with a local high school to approach & organise candidates and nominations to the Club.

For more information and booking request forms, please contact Adrian Hallett on 0409 037 701 or email [halletts@bigpond.net.au](mailto:halletts@bigpond.net.au)

- October 3rd (Thurs)** A lunch time cruise to watch the Tall Ships arriving in Sydney Harbour. Enjoy a buffet lunch.  
Cruise: RPC 100  
Depart TBA Wharf at 10:15am for 3.5 hr Cruise / **\$75pp**
- October 4th (Fri)** An early morning start to view the arrival of part of the fleet of visiting warships. This cruise will include the 21 gun salute at 10am. Enjoy breakfast as the sun rises over the Harbour.  
Cruise: RPC 101  
Depart TBA Wharf at 7am for 4 hr Cruise / **\$75pp**
- October 4th (Fri)** A Friday night special end of week wind-down cruise to view all the ships at anchor just ahead of the special day. Catch the lights on the ships as they prepare for the ceremonies tomorrow. A light meal will be served.  
Cruise: RPC 102  
Depart TBA Wharf at 6:30pm for 2.5 hr Cruise / **\$65pp**
- October 5th (Sat)** Join us and be as close as possible to the Ceremonial Fleet Review on Sydney Harbour.  
Cruise: RPC 103  
Enjoy a delicious seafood banquet and limited open bar.  
Depart TBA Wharf at 10am for 4.5 hr Cruise / **\$110pp**
- October 5th (Sat)** Tonight we cruise the Harbour to view the visiting ships at anchor and to finish the night view the fireworks and light show. Enjoy our seafood banquet and limited open bar.  
Cruise: RPC 104  
Depart TBA Wharf at 6pm for 4 hr Cruise / **\$110pp**
- October 10th (Thurs)** Bid farewell to the tall ships as they depart Sydney Harbour after their involvement in the Fleet Review. Enjoy a buffet lunch.  
Cruise: RPC 105  
Depart TBA Wharf at 10am for 3.5 hr Cruise / **\$70pp**
- October 11th (Fri)** Your last chance to be up close with the magnificent warships as they leave Sydney. Wave bye bye to all the sailors who have enjoyed all Sydney has to offer. A buffet lunch will be serve.  
Cruise: RPC 106  
Depart TBA Wharf at 10am for 3.5 hr Cruise / **\$70pp**

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- These packages have been prepared using the most up to date information available at time of publication.
- Minor changes may still be necessary to comply with yet to be announced events and navigational restrictions.
- The final choice of a city wharf will be made close to the event, being mindful of your needs for transport and nearby parking. It may be the Star City Wharf, but this is not guaranteed.
- All cruises are subject to minimum numbers.

“...Standards must be raised, and if this is to be done, there must be no member without a job in community service. Rotary has always been keenly interested in youth and its problems, and it regards the education and training of young people as of great importance. In our schools and universities, principles of good citizenship are sometimes subordinated to academic attainments, and as a result we have Giants of Knowledge and Pygmies of Character. These are aspects of youth in which Rotary is vitally interested. The job before us is a real one, but Rotary can do much in the cause of human relationships if it will use the best brains amongst its members to help rehabilitate the post-war world. The highest aim of all is Peace, and this depends on International Understanding. What happens in other countries must be of vital interest to you and yours. These tasks are fraught with great difficulties, but do not let them deter you. Let us all to the task.”

In reply, **President Eric** said: “It is an honour and a privilege to accept this charter. This is a proud moment for us all, for Ryde and for this club. Surely it is not insignificant that we should receive this charter this week — the week when America is commemorating its courage and its victory and holding the world enthralled with feats of terrible power and destruction. At 8 o’clock last Monday, the world moved into a new era — the Atomic Age. May I ask,” what is it?” Surely it is that Man has extended his power over all things. So it is in this age that the Rotary Club of Ryde has begun. And I will draw this analogy — just as Man has by his genius and industry released a physical energy undreamed of, so let us release from our personalities a great spiritual energy such as can come only from a Divine motive. Let us go on to the fulfilment of our Rotary ideals, remembering that in this age, of great material marvels, the realities and true worth of life lie with the spirit.”

## NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OF ST JUDE’S

Felix is coming to Australia! Felix Mollel is a much loved member of the St Jude’s family and he is coming to tour Australia in October! It is the first time that Felix will be travelling outside of Africa and he is so excited to be catching up with St Jude’s loyal supporters.

Felix is from the Maasai tribe who are semi-nomadic people in Northern Tanzania and he works as a Visitor Coordinator at St Jude’s, one of 450 Tanzanians who are employed at the school. We would love it if you were able to arrange an event with Felix as your guest speaker. It could be a Rotary, business or school presentation that you might welcome him to. Or you might have a media contact that would like to interview Felix while he is in the country.

St Jude’s Ultimate Kilimanjaro Challenge is an 18 day tourism, marathon and mountain climbing event that kicks off in February 2014. Participants can choose to climb the mountain then run in a full 42-km marathon, a 21-km half marathon or a lighter 5K itinerary. Anyone can opt to take part in just one of the two sporting events. It’s bound to be an adventure of a lifetime! We’re thrilled to have New York Personal Trainer Anne-Michelle Barrett on board to give participants tips and motivation along the way. Register your interest today by emailing [visitor@schoolofstjude.co.tz](mailto:visitor@schoolofstjude.co.tz)



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## **THE ROTARY VISION**

Rotary is a worldwide organisation of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary Clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are 33,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are non-political, non-religious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. As signified by the motto "Service above Self", Rotary's main objective is service - in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world.

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## **ROTARY GRACE**

O Lord and giver of all good  
We thank you for our daily food  
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways  
Help us to serve you all our days

## **THE FOUR-WAY TEST**

of the things we say, think & do

- 1.** Is it the Truth?
- 2.** Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3.** Will it build goodwill & better friendships?
- 4.** Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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## **ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR**

Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free;  
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature's gifts,  
of beauty rich and rare;  
In history's page, let every stage, Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair!

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